

Student Teaching Alternative Experience Worksheet

Regulations Governing the Licensure of Educators and the Preparation of Educational Professionals define student teaching as "a minimum of twelve (12) consecutive weeks of supervised, concentrated field experience required for initial licensure, including student teaching, internship, or other concentrated field experience however named, in which the student shall gradually assume *the full professional roles and responsibilities of the initial endorsement area sought* (section 5150)."

The Standards Board for Professional Educators believes that a supervised, concentrated field experience in an appropriate setting is a necessary component in the development of competent educators. The majority of individuals seeking licensure through an approved Vermont educator preparation program complete a traditional student teaching experience.

An applicant seeking initial licensure through a transcript analysis is expected to document an equivalent learning experience via an alternative means. The responsibility for arranging this alternative experience rests with the applicant.

The alternative experience must meet the following criteria:

1. Verification of the equivalent of twelve (12) consecutive weeks of teaching experience in an educational setting.
2. Supervision by a qualified person (i.e. a certified educator or other professional who carries a credential or license appropriate to the endorsement area requested). The qualifications will be verified by the Office of Licensing and Professional Standards.
3. Documentation of sustained supervised experience in the knowledge and performance standards as well as any additional requirements in the endorsement area or field.
4. Documentation of sustained supervised experience at the instructional level for which licensure is sought.

Name of Applicant _____

Endorsement(s) Sought _____

Location(s) of Internship _____

Dates of Internship(s) _____

Cooperating Teacher _____

Name

Endorsement(s)

Cooperating Teacher _____

Name

Endorsement(s)

Name of Applicant _____

This section to be completed by the Cooperating Teacher:

1. I have initiated the applicant by assigning specific responsibilities. Describe:
2. I have orientated the applicant to the school and the staff. Describe:
3. I have served as a model of successful teaching. Describe:
4. On several occasions I have both assisted the applicant in developing his/her lesson plans and have observed the applicant teaching. Describe:
5. I have arranged a variety of learning experiences for the applicant. Describe:
6. I have helped the applicant evaluate his/her teaching over the course of the alternative student teaching experience. Describe:
7. I have helped the applicant to observe the teaching of other teachers. Describe:

Please attach additional sheets if necessary.

Signature of Cooperating Teacher

Date

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